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1) Subsequent Benefits

BAM 117

FAP

FAP groups that apply after the 15th of the month receive a minimum benefits period of two months (month of application and following month), if the client is eligible for expedited benefits for both months.

Reason: Clarification.

2) Replacement Fee

BAM 401E

FIP, SDA, RCA and FAP

The EBT card replacement fee by the vendor is \$3.02.

Reason: Correction.

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3) Homeless Persons

BEM 220

FAP

The exception for FAP that a client is considered homeless only for the first 90 days is removed.

Reason: Clarification.

4) Cooperate in Obtaining an SSN

BEM 223

All Programs Except Child Development and Care (CDC)

Failure to report a social security number for a newborn within six months of receipt or by the next redetermination, whichever is later, results in an overissuance.

Reason: FNS audit finding.

5) Miscellaneous

BEM 100

Ways to report suspected child abuse/neglect is condensed for clarity.

Reason: Policy simplification.

BEM 100, BEM 630

Field Operations is now Economic Stability Administration.

Reason: Name change.

BAM 300, 600; BEM 223A

Changed Michigan Administrative Hearing Systems (MAHS) to Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR)

Reason: Name change.

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BAM 600

Specialists should now email the State SSI Payment Unit at SSI-Bridges-Coord@michigan.gov for assistance if a SOLQ fails to explain an action taken.

BAM 803; BEM 245

Minor formatting and wording changes.

6) Miscellaneous Medicaid Changes

BAM 210, 810; BEM 100, 130, 150, 164, 174, 260, 546

Miscellaneous corrections of grammar, spelling and minor sentence clarifications.

7) Determining Eligibility

BEM 501

MA

Temporary census income is countable earned income in a MAGI Medicaid determination.

Reason: Federal policy change.

8) Medicaid Work Requirements

BEM 137

MA

Beneficiaries in the Healthy Michigan Plan must begin complying with work requirements.

Reason: State law change.

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9) Medicaid Only Lockout

BEM 105

MA

Medicaid beneficiaries who have been convicted of fraud in a federal court related to their own misrepresentations may be locked-out of receiving Medicaid coverage for up to one year.

Reason: State Law change.

10) Disaster Food Assistance Program (DFAP)

BEM 800

FAP

The DFAP maximum allotment and monthly income limit tables updated effective 10/1/19.

Reason: Annual DFAP income limit and maximum allotment update.

11) Census Income

BEM 501

FAP

Wages paid to temporary census workers is excluded.

Reason: Policy change.

12) MA COLA increases

BEM 402, 405, 546

SSI Related MA

The annual Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) increases in the spousal impoverishment standards, the home equity limit, and the divestment divisor, have been updated effective January 1,2020.

13) Glossary

Updated Michigan Administrative Hearings System (MAHS) to Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR).

Reason: Name change.

FAP

Substantial lottery or gambling winnings is a cash prize won in a single game, before taxes or other amounts are withheld, which is equal to or greater than the SNAP resource limit for elderly or disabled households.

Reason: New definition.

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MANUAL **MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS**

Changed Items ...

BAM 110

BAM 117

BAM 210

BAM 300

BAM 401E

BAM 600

BAM 803

BAM 810

BEM 100

BEM 105

BEM 130

BEM 137

BEM 150

BEM 164

BEM 174

BEM 220

BEM 223

BEM 233A

BEM 245

BEM 260

BEM 402

BEM 405

BEM 501

BEM 540

BEM 541 BEM 544

BEM 546

BEM 630

BEM 800

BPG GLOSSARY